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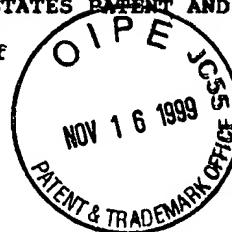
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Mitja V. HINDERKS

Serial No.: 08/477,704

Filed: June 7, 1995



Group Art Unit: 3747

Examiner: N. Kamen

For: AN IMPROVED MEANS FOR TREATMENT OF THE GASES
OF COMBUSTION ENGINES AND THE TRANSMISSION OF
THEIR POWERRECONSIDERATION REQUESTHonorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

On October 13, 1999, an official Notice of Abandonment which is believed to be in error was mailed to applicant.

The order of events are as follows:

1. On September 29, 1998, an Official Action was issued regarding a previous election of species.
2. On January 25, 1999, a response was filed, along with a Petition for a 3-month extension of time. A copy of the Patent Office date stamped receipt is submitted herewith.
3. On April 5, 1999, a Supplemental Amendment was filed. A copy of the Patent Office date stamp receipt is submitted herewith.
4. On April 13, 1999, a Final Rejection was issued in response to the Response of January 25, 1999 but not to the supplemental amendment of April 5, 1999.
5. On July 1, 1999, a response was issued to the supplemental amendment of April 5, 1999.
6. On October 12, 1999, a Request for Entry of Submission under 37 CFR 1.129, a Petition for a 3-month extension of time, an Amendment and a copy of a letter from applicant to the attorney of record were filed. A copy of the Patent Office date stamp receipt is submitted herewith.

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The Notice of Abandonment refers to applicant's failure to respond to the Official letter mailed July 1, 1999. True, the applicant did not specifically refer to the July 1, 1999 letter, but held it to be incorporated into the Final Rejection of April 13, 1999 to which a response was filed October 12, 1999. Accordingly, it is submitted that applicant has met all conditions under the law and the application should be reinstated. If the Examiner still feels to the contrary, it is respectfully requested that a detailed explanation be given for the abandonment.

If any documents are missing with respect to this matter, applicant will be happy to supply copies upon request.

Respectfully submitted,

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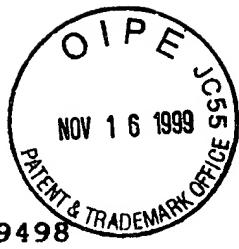
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Response w/ attached marked claims
Petition for 3-mo. ext
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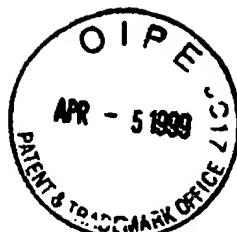
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Pet. for 3-month Extension
Request for Entry of Submission under 37 CFR 1.129
Amendment
Claims 218-347
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LETTER FROM APPLICANT TO ATTORNEY
Applicant: Hinderks

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